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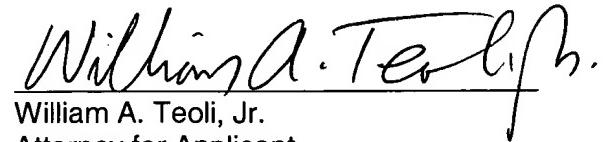
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The listed references were cited in the international stage search report. Since these references are of record in the instant PCT application PCT/EP98/03279, copies are not enclosed herewith.

The Examiner is requested to consider the foregoing information in relation to this application and indicate that each reference was considered by returning a copy of the initialed PTO 1449 form(s).

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